

Greetings!

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I have three wonderful things to share with you plus a big piece of news from Afghanistan below.

First, our new Iran Education Fund program has started providing essential school supplies to kids in Iran. Unfortunately, health and economic challenges make quality education a distant dream for many otherwise promising children. Our new program is designed to ensure our students are getting the resources they need to succeed in school. An initial 750 students have been identified to receive laptops and tablets and these items are being delivered at this time. If you are passionate about supporting our students who are striving for quality education, consider giving to the [Iran Education Fund](#). There's an FAQ [here](#).

Next, Thanksgiving is just around the corner, reminding us to be grateful and to share what we have with others. Your donation of just \$100 to the [Thanksgiving Campaign](#) can feed a whole family for a month in countries like Cambodia, Indonesia, and Tajikistan. Moreover, this Thanksgiving is a special one since we are raising funds to welcome our Afghan brothers and sisters who are arriving in the US and thousands of children in Iran who will receive Care Packages helping their families with basic food and other needs. We can be helping supporting hands in these difficult times.

Last, Tuesday, November 30th is Giving Tuesday. This is a global generosity movement unleashing the power of people to transform their communities. You give us the power and resources to make a difference. As we are getting closer to Giving Tuesday, please be thinking about how you want to make your mark in our children's lives. From the Iran Education Fund to the Thalassemia Clinic Fund for children in Afghanistan, our diverse programs give you the flexibility to help a campaign that is dear to your heart.

We thank you for helping the Child Foundation family work toward building a better future for vulnerable children.

Gary N. Gamer
President & CEO
Child Foundation

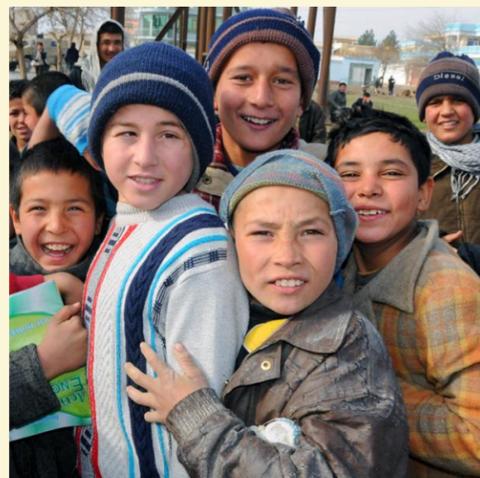
P.S. Catch one of our youngest sponsors talking about her new tv show and support to Child Foundation in [this Manoto interview](#).

Give Thanksgiving-ly

More News

News from Afghanistan

We successfully sent some sponsorship support to the family bank accounts of our 800 sponsored students in Kabul and Mazar-e Sharif. Child Foundation staff in the US are so grateful for the hard work of the Child Foundation Afghanistan staff and other organizations working in Afghanistan who are helping us gradually establish a legal and safe way to get resources to families. Now, our efforts are to ensure these financial pathways remain clear and safe so that monthly support can flow to our students who need it for tuition and basic living costs.



Child Foundation is also happy to share that the new government in the Balkh Province, where Mazar-e Sharif is the capitol and our headquarters is located, has confirmed that Child Foundation Afghanistan's

humanitarian efforts are valuable and can continue. Such progress is thanks to the hard work of the Afghanistan Child Foundation staff and volunteers who are laboring to ensure our work can continue in the new political environment especially because the need is greater than before.

Also very exciting is the news that girls can now go to university in Mazar-e Sharif. The national policy is still unclear so we are seeing uneven access in Mazar-e Sharif compared to Kabul. In Kabul, girls in public school can only attend through 6th grade. Fortunately, all our girls in both Kabul and Mazar-e Sharif can attend school because of the type of school or level they are currently at.

Another piece of good news is that the Thalassemia Clinic in Mazar-e-Sharif is going strong. In fact, members of the Taliban are reported to be generously donating blood which is massively important to our children in need of regular blood transfusion. This and other community support for blood transfusions, along with the life-saving medication we purchase, enables the Clinic to continue to provide vital support to children who may not survive without this assistance.

While the good news is good, indeed, we are also aware that more than 20 million people in Afghanistan are facing hunger like many of us have never known. Reports from organizations like the UN and our social workers on the ground also show lost gains, deep unemployment, and continued insecurity. These are all threats to our students, especially girl students. Supporting our Afghan children is how we stand by the people of Afghanistan. We hope you will continue to stand with us.

[Donate](#)



Give monthly to the Iran Education Fund to provide school supplies and services for students in Iran who urgently need them. Whether a child needs a laptop, after-school classes, college entrance exam materials, and/or a new uniform, giving each month can help social workers in Iran meet needs as they arise and are assessed throughout the school year.

Monthly giving makes you a Champion and you will receive periodic updates about what your giving accomplishes.

[Become an Iran Education Champion](#)

Putting the FUN in Fundraising

The Dallas Marathon is almost here and Hamid Reza Eslami is getting ready to run it! Be a part of Hamid's race to help children by donating toward his run. He's got 26.2 miles to prepare for and every reason in the world to make each step count for Child Foundation kids. [Cheer him on by contributing and he will write your name on his marathon gear!](#)



In Australia, a small fundraiser proved impactful. Last month, Rangeview Primary School raised a little over \$1,000 for the Afghan Crisis Fund with their Silly Socks Day. Children put on their silly footwear to raise awareness and encourage giving money to the school for Afghan children. And the community responded generously.



The [Afghan Crisis Fund](#) supports, among other things, food purchases for highly vulnerable families in Afghanistan. The risks to families can be seen in [this distressing CNN report](#) on childhood marriage. The video is a heartbreaking story about one 9-year old girl being married off so

her family can eat. The World Food Programme Chief last month also stated that Afghanistan is, if not the worst humanitarian crisis, among the worst in the world.

If you are interested in your own fundraiser either as an artist selling work, a performer, or a community member, you can contact the marketing department for resources and support. Email Alia Bellwood at Alia@childfoundation.org



Volunteer of the Month



Tina Sarabandi
Volunteer of the month
October 2021

Tina Sarabandi dedicates her time and knowledge generously.

For almost two years now, Tina has helped with Farsi translations and shared our mission in her community by dropping off Child Foundation information at Iranian places of business.

Her loyalty and love for children never end.

Did you know you can launch your own fundraiser for Child Foundation?



So much of what we give children comes from creative donors who bring communities together. Chess grandmasters, authors, doctors, and students of all ages in the US have held their own fundraisers. If you want to host a small fundraiser of your own, either online or in-person, you can set up your own fundraiser page [here](#).



Give through AmazonSmile!

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1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "Child Foundation" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app

Child Foundation's legal means of aid to Iran

Child Foundation is proud to stand by disadvantaged children in need of education in Iran and also those harmed by disasters. All of our humanitarian and emergency support in Iran, and other countries where we support children, is in compliance with best practices of charities and laws, including sanctions imposed on Iran.



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